Committee Name: Behavioral Subcommittee, Mental Health Special Projects Review Committee.

Meeting Date: July 21–22, 1992.

Place: Chevy Chase Holiday Inn, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Open: July 21, 9–10 a.m.

Closed: Otherwise.

Contact: Phyllis D. Artis, room 9C–15, Parklawn Building, Telephone (301) 443–6470.

Dated: June 2, 1992.

Peggy W. Cockrill,

Committee Management Officer, Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration.

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Centers for Disease Control

[Announcement Number 269]

Development of Innovative Technology for the Measurement of Lead in Blood; Availability of Funds for Fiscal Year 1992

Introduction

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the Nation's prevention agency, announces the availability of funds in Fiscal Year 1992 for the development and new and innovative technology, or significant improvement of existing technology, for the measurement of lead in blood. State-, community- and physician office-based childhood lead poisoning prevention programs have a need for reasonably priced, accurate, precise, portable, rugged, and easy-to-operate instruments or analytical techniques to measure the concentration of lead in blood. Such programs screen large numbers of infants and young children and identify those with lead poisoning.

The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a PHS-led national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to the priority area of Environmental Health. (For ordering a copy of Healthy People 2000, see the section Where to Obtain Additional Information.)

Authority: This program is authorized under sections 301(a) [42 U.S.C. 241(a)] and 317A [42 U.S.C. 247b–1] of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. Program regulations are set forth in title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, part 51b.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include nonprofit and for-profit organizations. Thus, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, other public and private organizations, state and local health departments or their bona fide agents or instrumentalities, minority and/or women-owned business are eligible for these grants. Individual organizations that now have a CDC Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) dealing with blood lead are eligible to apply. However, if funded the CDC CRADA dealing with blood lead will be terminated.

Note: Eligible applicants are encouraged to enter into contracts, including consortia agreements, as necessary to meet the requirements of the program and strengthen the overall application.

Availability of Funds

Approximately $550,000 per year will be available to fund up to four grants. It is expected that the average new award will be approximately $125,000 for the first year, with a range of $90,000 to $150,000. The new awards are expected to begin on or about September 30, 1992. Awards generally are made for a 12-month budget period within project periods not to exceed 3 years. Funding estimates may vary and are subject to change. Continuation awards with in the project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress and the availability of funds.

Purpose

State and community health agencies are the principal delivery points for childhood lead screening and related medical and environmental management activities. Universal screening of children is recommended under the provisions of the 1991 CDC Lead Statement; however, the lack of analytical systems (methods plus instrumentation) which are easy-to-operate, rugged, and suitable for field use in screening programs have made it difficult and costly for agencies to develop programs for the elimination of this totally preventable disease.

This program will provide financial support for the development and validation of new and innovative technology leading to better blood lead measurement systems. In contrast, the CRADA with Radiometer Analytical A/S, and other CRADAs which are contemplated, are intended to improve and refine existing proprietary lead measurement technology owned by the non-government CRADA partner, for the purpose of making acceptable blood lead measurement systems available for childhood lead poisoning prevention programs as soon as possible. CDC envisions the possibility that research and development performed by the Grantee may, in some cases, also aid in the achievement of CRADA objectives.

Program Requirements

The following are essential requirements of the Grantee:

1. A principal investigator with the authority, responsibility, and research experience to carry out the objectives of the grant.

2. Ability to provide qualified staff, laboratory and/or production facilities, equipment, and other resources necessary to carry out the objectives of the grant.

3. Ability to conduct a scientifically sound, goal-oriented research and development program which will yield all or portions of practical analytical systems which measure one or more chemicals in complex solutions. Ability to understand and address the difficult analytical problem presented by a blood sample matrix.

4. Ability to publish the results of the research effort in the peer-reviewed scientific literature, or otherwise make the research findings available for objective evaluation and use.

Evaluation Criteria

The applications will be reviewed and evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. *Evidence of Technical Expertise and Research Capacity* (30%). The applicant's ability to successfully plan, implement, and conduct a successful research and development program aimed at clinical measurement systems including the development and validation of analytical methods and/or instruments.

2. *Understanding the Problem* (20%). The applicant's understanding of the requirements, objectives, and interactions required for a successful research and development program. The applicant must also present evidence of understanding of the difficult analytical problem presented by the complexity of a blood sample matrix for the measurement of trace elements, and of the potential for interferences and contamination during sample preparation and analysis.

3. *Program Personnel* (10%). The extent to which the proposal has described (a) the qualifications and commitment of the applicant including training and experience in chemistry, biochemistry, biomedical engineering or other relevant scientific disciplines, (b) detailed allocations of time and effort of staff devoted to the project, (c)

information on how the applicant will develop, implement and administer the program, and (d) the qualifications of the support staff.

4. *Technical Approach* (30%). The overall technical merit of the research plan and the soundness and scientific validity of the proposed measurement system. The adequacy of the research plan includes the extent to which the evaluation plan can be used to effectively measure progress towards the stated objectives.

5. *Collaboration* (5%). While collaboration is not required, it is encouraged if necessary to accomplish the research objectives in a timely manner. If applicable, the applicant should demonstrate the ability to collaborate with other research centers, manufacturers, or commercial interests to conduct the described research and development plan. Evidence of collaborative relationships include jointly developed plans for developing separate components of the analytical system and written commitments of support from other program-related entities that describe the collaborative activities.

6. *Plans to Publicize the Research Effort* (5%). The purpose of this grant is to encourage the rapid development and deployment of measurement systems for blood lead which will be useful in lead poisoning prevention screening programs. Therefore, an explanation of how the grantee plans to encourage the publication of the research findings or otherwise make the information available to the public is required. Research which results only in findings of academic interest with no practical application to the objectives of the grant is not acceptable.

7. *Budget Justification* (Not Scored). The budget will be evaluated for the extent to which it is reasonable, clearly justified, and consistent with the intended use of grant funds. The adequacy of existing and proposed facilities to support program activities also will be evaluated.

Executive Order 12372 Review

Applications are not subject to review by Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.197.

Application Submission and Deadline

Applicants should follow the guidance provided in PHS Form 398 (REVISED 9/91) in preparing grant applications. The original and two copies must be submitted to Henry S. Cassell, III, Grants Management Officer, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., room 300, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, on or before August 12, 1992.

1. *Deadline.* Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are either: A. Received on or before the deadline date, or

B. Sent on or before the deadline date and received in time for submission for the review process. Applicants must request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service Postmark or obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or the U.S. Postal Service. Private metered postmarks shall not be acceptable as proof of timely mailing.

2. *Late Applications.* Applications which do not meet the criteria in 1.A. or 1.B. above are considered late applications. Late applications will not be considered in the current competition and will be returned to the applicant.

Where to Obtain Additional Information

To receive additional written information call (404) 332-4561. You will be asked to leave your name, address, and phone number and will need to refer to Announcement 269. You will receive a complete program description, information on application procedures, and application forms.

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from Lisa Tamaroff, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control, 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., room 300, Mailstop E-14, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, (404) 842-6630. Programmatic technical assistance may be obtained from Dayton T. Miller, Ph.D., or Daniel C. Paschal, Ph.D., Nutritional Biochemistry Branch, Division of Environmental Health Laboratory Sciences, National Center for Environmental Health and Injury Control, Centers for Disease Control, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop F-18, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, (404) 488-4026.

Please refer to Announcement Number 269 when requesting information and submitting any application.

A copy of Healthy People 2000 (Full Report, Stock No. 017-001-00474-0) or Healthy People 2000 (Summary Report, Stock No. 017-001-00473-1) is available through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC, 20402-9325 (Telephone (202) 783-3238).

A copy of Preventing Lead Poisoning in Young Children—a Statement by the Centers for Disease Control—October 1991 may be obtained from the Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health and Injury Control Centers for Disease Control, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop F-28, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, (404) 488-4880.

Dated: June 11, 1992.

Robert L. Foster,

Acting Associate Director for Management and Operations, Centers for Disease Control.

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Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 92F-0214]

Stroh Brewery Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Stroh Brewery Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of aspartame in beer containing less than 3 percent of alcohol by volume.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: F. Owen Fields, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFF-333), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-254-9523.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a petition (FAP 2A4324) has been filed by Stroh Brewery Co., 100 River Pl., Detroit, MI 48207-4291. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 172.804 *Aspartame* (21 CFR 172.804) to provide for the safe use of aspartame in beer containing less than 3 percent of alcohol by volume.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. If the agency finds that an environmental impact statement is not required and this petition results in a regulation, the notice of availability of the agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding will be published with the regulation in the **Federal Register** in accordance with 21 CFR 25.40(c).

Dated: June 5, 1992.

Fred R. Shank,

Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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Health Care Financing Administration

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority; Facilities Management Contract

Part F of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), (**Federal Register**, Vol. 56, No. 102, p. 24082 and pp. 24084–85, dated Tuesday, May 28, 1991) is amended to reflect various changes resulting from the transfer of the management of the Facilities Management Contract from the Office of Computer Operations, Bureau of Data Management and Strategy (BDMS), to the Office of Information Resources Management, BDMS.

The specific changes to Part F are:

• Section FH.20.D.1., Office of Information Resource Management (FHE1), is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following revised functional statement. The new section FH.20.D.1 reads as follows:

1. Office of Information Resources Management (FHE1)

• Plans, organizes, and coordinates the activities required to maintain an HCFA-wide Information Resources Management (IRM) program including the management of funds to support IRM operations and information systems development activities.

• Formulates and executes the HCFA IRM common expense budget and Information Technology Systems plans and budgets in conjunction with HCFA-wide budgetary submissions to the Department.

• Develops and maintains a process to administer, document, and monitor the software and hardware changes planned and implemented within HCFA.

• Provides systematic identification, assessment, and certification of new, revised, or existing HCFA information systems and processes in accordance with HCFA policies, standards, information plans, and department requirements.

• Develops, coordinates, and directs the HCFA automated data processing (ADP) Systems Security Program to ensure the protection of HCFA systems and ADP equipment.

• Designs, evaluates, and performs analyses related to HCFA-wide data administration and database administration improvement projects.

• Negotiates and administers agreements and provides ADP liaison between HCFA users, the Social Security Administration, and other external organizations for the provision of ADP capacity and support services.

• Formulates strategies, prepares procurement documents, and performs contract administration activities for major contractual agreements in support of Agency IRM requirements.

• Section FH.20.D.1.a., Division of Information Systems Management (FHE11), is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following revised functional statement. The new section FH.20.D.1.a. reads as follows:

a. Division of Information Systems Management (FHE11)

• Directs the planning, design, and maintenance of information systems development standards and database administration policies and standards, including review of work products for compliance with standards, and the support of the Standards Board activities.

• Plans, directs, and coordinates the development and maintenance of a project management and software metrics program to monitor, evaluate, and improve the information systems development processes for HCFA. Directs the establishment and maintenance of the HCFA IRM systems inventory.

• Directs and coordinates the performance of post-implementation reviews for Agency systems to validate that all systems components are maintained concurrently with the operational systems.

• Formulates strategies and performs contract administration activities for major software contractual agreement across all phases of the information systems development life cycle.

• Formulates strategies and performs contract administration activities for major IRM contractual agreements.

• Section FH.20.D.6., Office of Computer Operations (FHE6), is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following revised functional statement. The new section FH.20.D.6. reads as follows:

6. Office of Computer Operations (FHE6)

• Directs the planning, budgeting, evaluation, procurement, operation, maintenance, control and security of all centralized automated data processing (ADP) and data communications (DC) equipment and services for HCFA's Data Center (HDC) which includes: DC activities and equipment; centralized large-scale computers; nationally distributed departmental minicomputers; vendor supplied operating systems; utility software; OCO utilization of the Facilities Management Contract; and various intra/inter Agency agreements.

• Advises the bureau and HCFA executive staff on ADP and DC issues and concerns and represents HCFA in dealings with Federal and non-Federal agencies and organizations in these areas.

• Serves as the Agency's final technical authority for the approval of the purchase, lease, and maintenance of all ADP and DC equipment and systems.

• Manages the HDC and DC resource planning function to ensure the availability of resources for Agency approved projects.

• Develops HDC and DC plans and policies and provides program direction to HCFA staff and contractor support organizations to ensure that the Agency mission is efficiently and effectively met.

• Section FH.20.A.6.a, Technical Research and Planning Staff (FHE6–1), is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following revised functional statement. The new Section FH.20.A.6.a. reads as follows:

a. Technical Research and Planning Staff (FHE6–1)

• Advises the Director, Office of Computer Operations, and executives throughout HCFA components of the impact on the HCFA Data Center (HDC) of new technology and Agency programmatic activities including new requirements and growth. Serves as principal focus and coordinator of HDC involvement for major system designs/redesigns resulting from new technology or significant legislation.

• Provides contract management expertise to major contracts and provides program direction to contract support organizations to ensure Agency mission is efficiently and effectively met. Monitors and analyzes lease, purchase, and maintenance agreements to ensure continuing efficient use of the HDC and data communications (DC) equipment. Develops and manages the HDC, minicomputer, and DC spending plans and estimates for equipment, software, maintenance, supplies, and support services. Prepares and controls contract performance evaluation procedures including the specification of evaluation periods, award fee criteria, evaluation categories and performance measurement controls.